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Attorney Docket No. 82239

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: ) Group Art Unit: 1654  
DWIVEDI et al. )  
Serial No. 09/537,088 ) Examiner: J. RUSSEL  
Filed: March 29, 2000 )

For: NOVEL INCLUSION COMPLEXES OF A HIGH POTENT OPIOID PEPTIDE,  
PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS AND METHOD OF TREATMENT

RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION

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This is in response to the Final Office Action having a mailing date of February 3, 2003, with the three month shortened statutory period to respond set to expire on May 3, 2003. A petition for a three-month extension of time and a check are filed herewith extending the period for response to August 3, 2003, a Sunday. Accordingly, this Response, filed on the next succeeding business day, is timely filed.

In view of the following amendments and remarks, applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding rejections and allow all claims pending in this application.